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NUMBER PLEASE

"Have you had a chance to talk over the new 'phones? It's loads of fun." This is what everyone is saying who has had a chance to use them. As everybody is wanting to try them out, Mr. Keyes thought about having a special period for everybody to talk (as they never talk very often.) and charging them a penny a minute. Collect your pennies, "kids"!

The Radio Club should certainly be given a pat on the back for installing the 'phones.

THE GREAT DECISION

A momentous moment in the life of the Junior Class arrived when those cases of rings were passed around. Oh how hard it was to decide! So bewildering, don't ya know?

After the class had changed its mind a couple of times the ring was chosen, so pretty soon, we'll be seeing a lot of strange jewelry here and there.

HEY, EVERYBODY!

"Have you heard the news? You haven't? Tut, tut! Where have you been the last few weeks? Just think of it! Sixteen days of Christmas vacation! M'M'M! Plenty of time to break the toys Santa will bring us.

Of course everyone is going to study real hard and have perfect lessons when he comes back!

NOTICE! NOTICE!

Mr. Keyes and assembly committee would like the various organizations and classes to volunteer some assembly dates.

MR. PRESIDENT SPEAKS ON HIS TRIP TO FREEPORT.

Reporter: I understand you left Maroa at 8:30. When did you arrive?

Pres: 12:34. We had very good time.

Reporter: I should hope so. What did you do first?

Pres: We went to the Y.M.C.A. to find out where we were supposed to stay.

Reporter: Where did you stay?

Pres: At a Dr. Hyslops.

Reporter: What did you do the first evening?

Pres: At 4:30 we went to Emery Church and heard our first two talks by Dr. Palmer and Dr. Downer. At 6:00 there was a banquet in the basement of the Emery Church, and what a banquet! After stuffing ourselves we went upstairs and listened to more talks. Then we sang.

More darn fun! At 9:50 we went home and talked. We went to bed at 11:00

We got up at 7:30 Saturday morning and went to the church at 9:00 for breakfast

There were more talks until 12:15 when we had another banquet to surround.

From 1:15 till 2:30 we heard several talks and had a roundtable discussion till 3:00. From 3:00 till 6:00 there was a State Hi-Y Basketball Tournament, but we went to a show. We played ball at the Y.M.C.A. Until 7:00. 7:30 we

went to the Emery Church again for more talks until 8:30 when there was one hr. special entertainment of group singing.

You never heard such singing. We also saw 3 reels of comics, 1 reel of fish (under water), and 1 reel of Hi-Y boys in Switzerland (more fish). We went

home and hit the hay after that. Next morning we went to the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Downer gave the sermon. It

was very good. We started for Maroa at 10:00, and, in spite of the fact that the gas feed stopped up four times, we got home at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

merry christmas

THERE WAS MUSIC IN THE AIR

the Corn and Poultry Show Dec. 5, 7, Chanticleer and partalot did est to keep those awful silences d, we believe, succeeded. re were a great many exhibits her schools as well as from Maroa, managed to carry off our share of ers.

cawinners were:
y Schultz--2 firsts, 2 sixtns, 1 and 1 Grand Champion.
neth Riley--2 firsts, 1 third, hampion, 1 fourth, and 1 second.
e Miller--1 first, 1 third, 1 and 1 thirteenth.

neth Ferrill--1 tenth and 1 fourth
s Wikoff--1 eleventh.
simer Haliski--1 first, 3 seconds, fourth.

neth, Ross, and Casimer took their in grain; all the others were in 7, \$49.00 of the prize money was t home.

IN ASSEMBLY

nesday before Thanksgiving we rmoned to the gym for a farewell. . Keyes gave a very interesting n the origin of Thanksgiving. After finished, we felt as if the "Injun" fter us indeed. We even felt cold agry.
ter receiving a warning not to eat ch turkey, Miss Bell led the school e appropriate songs.
en we went home.

THE PATH OVER THE HILL

e name sounded queer at first, but we saw the play, we decided the as perfect. "The Path Over the was more than a good play, and aracters were portrayed exceedingly

One minute we cried with the ather and Ruthie; the next minute ghed with Zuzu and her husband, nder. We were kept in agony for obert would not forgive, but in the verything came out all right, and ived happily ever after.
usic was furnished by Mrs. Dewhirst e orchestra, also by the Grade . Glee Club.

WELCOME

At the beginning of this year M.C.H.S. found six new students (not counting the freshmen) within its walls.

The Juniors were fortunate enough to receive three of the newcomers:
Virginia Perry-----Shelbyville
Dorothy McKinney-----Argenta
Audrey Thrift-----Locmis, S. D.
The seniors picked off one of them:
Edgar Lyle Glenn-----Clinton

The sophomores had for their share:
Paul Benton----the little boy from Forsythe who has been so good at making baskets and Charles Hall.

The sophies must be an attractive class, for a little later Ronald Mayo rolled in from Danville to do his bit in football, basketball, and Latin. Virginia Burns, Champaign, is their latest addition.

Monday after Thanks giving, Florence Caldwell came from Chicago to swell the ranks of the freshmen. Welcome to you.

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WHO'S WHO

The first thing one thinks of when the familiar nickname "Curley" is mentioned is a mop of curly black hair and a smiling face.

Hugh Pulliam has helped make a number of activities a success, as managers are essential in everything. "Curly" has been stage manager for plays and has always been willing to let the responsibility rest on his big husky shoulders.

The most recent event in which "Curley" participated was "Sailor Maids", where he took the part of Captain Dover. As for an actor he played his part well.

Radics seemed to be a little more than means of entertainment to Hugh. It is for him first on the list of hobbies. He is president of this club and was treasurer in 1932 and 1933. Proof enough for another characteristic, honesty.

Athletics! "Curly" has gone in for sports. At the football game his name was on the lips of many of our boosters. He seems to have the good old fighting spirit and that's what it takes. He likes basketball and indulges in it with all he has. Track has drawn a small part of his attention.

Oh yes, something that was almost forgotten. Hugh is Mr. Keyes right hand man. At least he does come in handy. He is always busy.

M.C.H.S. is proud to have "Curly" in our school and we wish him lots of luck and success during the years to come.

A hint for all of us, The world wants people who have ability: but, more than that, who have confidence in their ability; who not only can do things, but know they can. They are the ones who seize opportunity when it comes. The others hang back, thinking that perhaps they can swing the job, but they are doubtful. They hesitate and are lost.

I think the first virtue is to restrain the tongue; he approaches nearest to the god who knows how to be silent even when he is in the right.

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RADIO CLUB

The Radio Club has just finished this semester's project of installing the telephones.

The new members have been started on theory of radio and experiments have been carried on.

All sorts of things have been tried "getta da mon" for the various project have been partly successful.

The members of the Radio Club wish, to thank the students for their donations toward the telephones.

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FA SQL LA

After the operetta was over the lee clubs (and the school) heaved a sigh of relief. But the peace was soon broken by more--uh, well, we'd better be polite. "What on earth is the matter now?" everyone was asking. "Oh, it's only the glee clubs practicing." "Practicing? I tho't the operetta was over."

"Oh, this is the Christmas program for the P.T.A. meeting Dec. 20."

"Well, it won't be long 'til vacation. I guess we'll live through it."

The glee clubs are showing great improvement, however. (perhaps because of the masculine voices).

HOME-EC

The Home Economics Club has been having some very interesting meetings lately.

One, on picture shows, good, bad, and indifferent, proved quite popular.

The Home-Ec. Club has not been well attended, however. There is no reason why the girls couldn't come. With their support the club can be made interesting and worthwhile.

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TOOT! TOOT!

With a comparatively small group to work with, Mr. Hess is arranging a program for assembly. Among the

compositions they are working on are: Cradle Song, and Barcarolle. They are also working on a group of arrangements by Alfred Pochon of some of the works of the masters. With this for a basis a great deal should be accomplished this year.}

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL-----

Best wishes for a very happy Christmas holiday from the 1934 Blue and Gold Staff. Join in the holiday spirit with us. We'll be glad to see you again on January 7. Happy New Year to all of you and make the most of your vacation.

Remember this little bit by Longfellow:

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play
And loud and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

Again the lone star guides a wandering wayfarer to some holy place. Across the pure snow he finds his way through the din of the bells tolling news of the birth of the Prince of Peace. Soft lights and a faint odor of incense take him into the past-----

Over the desert Three Wise Men wend their way, rejoicing, to the holy stable at Bethlehem. There, with Mary and Joseph, they thank God for the birth of their Savior. The angels' wonderful prophecy has been fulfilled. Mary tenderly caresses the Holy Babe, who was a gift from Heaven.

Murmured prayers are heard through the scented air. The day of days still retains its original atmosphere. Lights bring to view the glowing faces of the grateful servants.

No matter how little Christmas may mean in material wealth, the same God is over all, helping us bear our burdens. At this time our thoughts are centered on our own Christmas. As each year passes, Christmas means more to us. Our realization of its meaning becomes clearer, and we have a feeling of praise for the great sacrifice. This Christmas of '34 means more to us than ever before. The depression has made us thoughtful and thankful for our bit and this is the true spirit of the holidays as of old.

As the wayfarer slowly starts to leave, he feels thankful for the sacrifice of God for him. Though his lot is small he proceeds, happy to be alive. We too can be happy to be alive with what we have for-----

At Christmas-tide, the open hand
Scatters its bounty o'er sea and land
And none are left to grieve alone
For love is heaven and claims its own.

God rest ye, merry gentlemen, let nothing
you dismay,
Remember, Christ our Savior was born
on Christmas Day.

LOOKING WISE

There are two distinct forms of "lookers wise." First, the really wise man who looks wise because he is, and, second, the ignorant man who thinks he is wise and tries to appear that way.

We all admire the first man for his intelligence and make much of him. But we all dislike the other and tries to look wise when he really is ignorant. You know that a man who stands around with his hands in his pockets as if he were directing operations really looks ignorant, while an upright man who stops a second to look over the situation really gets all the admiration. Don't be a looker wise; be a wise onlooker.

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What we feel is right for an American boy is that he shall turn out to be a good American man. The chances are strong, however, that he won't be much of a man, unless he is a good deal of a boy. He must not be a coward or a weakling, a bully, a shirk, or a prig. He must work hard and play hard. He must be clean-minded and clean-lived, and able to hold his own under all circumstances and against all odds. It is only under these conditions that he will grow into the kind of man of whom America really be proud. In life, as in a football game, the principle to follow is: "Hit the line hark; don't foul, and don't shirk."

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Some one asks whether success is most due to luck, pluck, or brains. The answer is easy---all three.

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CHRISTMAS

Christmas, to most people, especially children and young folks, is just a day of festivity and jollity with lots of good things to eat, and many presents, but once in a while we stop to think of its true meaning. Here is the Christmas story which we hear over and over, probably several times a year, and to which we always enjoy listening.

Long, long ago in the little town of Bethlehem Jesus was born in a manger. The three wise men saw a star shining very brightly in the sky and followed it until they came to the manger. There they found the beautiful Christ Child, around whom the angels were gathered, singing, "Peace on earth and good will to all men." The wise men brought many gifts to the Child and were happy because they thought that at last God had sent them a Christ to lead them in the right way of living.

Perhaps this story of our Savior's birth is a little too brief, but it shows us why we gather around the Christmas tree to give gifts and to enjoy the day. We must not only consider our own happiness but try to make others happy as well. There is a joy in making others happy which only those who have tried it can appreciate. No one should ever forget that the angels sang, "Peace on earth and good will to all men."

---Rosalie Cooper '37

TOMMY'S SACRIFICE

Tommy stood with his small face pressed against the window pane, looking out at the white, crystalized world. This year there would be no Christmas for the two Burke children. For himself Tommy did not mind. It was only for little Nell, his small sister, who lay sick in bed, that he cared.

Soon Tommy was in the street, walking very briskly, for he was going to the party for poor children, which the Legionnaires were putting on at the Christian Church, and his coat was not so warm as it should have been. Finally he arrived at the church, but was a

little timid about going in. When he did make up his mind to go in, the first thing he saw was a large Christmas tree. On the top of it was a red fire engine. Instantly Tommy wished he had it.

When the time came for the presents to be received, Tommy's name was first. That meant he had first choice of all the gifts that hung on the tree. He walked up to the tree and said he wanted the doll dressed in blue. A great roar went up as the children laughed at his choice, but he did not mind, for now Nell would have a present.

He hurried home. Nell was so pleased and full of joy over her doll that a knock at the door went unnoticed. Suddenly Tommy realized that someone was at the door. Going toward it, he found a man standing with a red fire engine for Tommy in his arms. The man knew about little Nell, and Tommy's sacrifice.

The next day Nell was taken to the hospital, and Tommy went to live with this same Legionnaire, who had no children. Nell and Tommy were to be the Legionnaire's children from then on.

---Virginia Burns '37

AREN'T WE SENIORS QUEER

On Christmas morning, some fifteen years ago,

We, the Senior Class of '35, you know, Crept down the saturday, so eagerly to find,

Our stocking's all jammed full of everything fine.

Sometime later, cute little Waller we spied,

Beating his drum, until most everyone cried;

And Leinhart's sugar-cane had stuck him all up,

And Mary June played with her cute little pup.

Oh, how embarrassing, it all must have been,

At least to some of us, when we think of times then,

Though some have not grown to that dignified state,

Where they can't wait for Santa to enter their gate.

---Mildred Riley '35

A SMALL BOY'S OPINION

I found something the other day,
When I was in the store.
I heard a little boy say,
"I don't believe in Santa anymore."

I was very astonished,
And didn't believe a word.
I told him he wouldn't get any presents
If Santa Claus had heard.

He just looked at me and laughed,
And said I was a ninny
If I believed in Santa Claus,
And his coming down the chimney.

As soon as he began to laugh,
I became a little frightened;
So I hurried home to Mother
In hopes that things would brighten.

When I told her all about
The many things I'd heard,
She just laughed and laughed,
And said, "Don't believe a word."

Of course there is a Santa Claus,
That comes down the chimney."
Now I'm plenty satisfied 'cause
I was right, by Jiminy.

---Louise Ann Parker '37

I AM SCHOOL SPIRIT

I am a School Spirit. I come
in the dawn of school career, and from
that time on am never absent.

I am the Guardian Angel of the stu-
dent.

I go into his football games, and his
various school activities on a complimen-
tary ticket, for I am indispensable.

Without me a game won or a school
improvement completed is as ashes in his
mouth; without me a failure would drag
him down into the depths of despair.

My value is not to be measured in
sordid dollars of earth, for I am not
purchased as food or clothing; rather am
I the result of generous giving or hard
work, done unselfishly without hope of
reward.

With me nothing is impossible, with-
out me a school shall perish as surely
as fruit without water.

I am known not so surely by much yell-
ing and general hilarity, when my school

is in the lead, as by a firm, steady,
indefatigable determination to "go on"
when the enemy is victorious.

My influence does not cease with the
presentation of the diploma and the mak-
ing of long speeches.

For I am the Boy who is the father of
the man, and the man is Civic Pride.
Without this your Democracy fails, and
you are as nought in the eyes of man.

Every successful life is marked by
industry, refinement and character. Of
all the best men and women you know, not
one is a loafer; not one is a bore; not
one is a crook. All are faithful work-
ers; all are fitted to enjoy some of the
best things of life; all are clean, whole
some and upright in mind and heart, and
are unselfishly serving their fellowmen.

School life is intended to develop
these three qualities: it helps boys
and girls to find suitable life work and
fits them to do it, develop their apprec-
iation of art, music, literature and
cultivates the qualities of sterling
character. After school life is over,
education continues in the same ways.
Growing on the job, filling her position
capably while preparing for the next
higher job, keeping the mind alert for
a larger and better service--this and
only this insures promotion. One grows
in culture as he grows in workmanship.
Listening to good music, looking at good
pictures, reading good books, increase
one's powers of enjoyment. So, too,
with character. Honesty, clean-minded-
ness, self-restraint and other virtues
strengthened by each successful battle.

The only rule for success is to keep
growing in industry, refinement and
character. Such growth is the chief bus-
iness of youth. The value of every
course in school, every recreation, every
task outside of school is to be measured
by the way it helps you grow in ability
to work, in ability to enjoy and in ab-
ility to practice self-control.

"Non paratus," Junior dixit,
Cum a sad and doleful look;
"Omne recte," said Miss Flugum,
Et nihil scripsit in her book.

AN EXPENSIVE WHISTLE

There is pleasure in having a whistle
but one must not pay too dearly for it.
For instance, if one craves only enjoy-
ment and gaiety, casting aside every-
thing else, sorrow is certain to follow.
To sacrifice improvement of the mind,
health, and thought of fortune is to
build no foundation on which to lay se-
curity and worth. There is merely shallow
ness and temporary happiness, for such
procedure will be taken away by age,
ruined health, or dissatisfaction of the
monotony of that kind of living. Then
what is left? Nothing. Life is empty
because he has not built on solid ground
and his paper base has crumbled.

If you desire a whistle, estimate
carefully its value.

---Emily Jane Dowhirst '35

THE GANGSTER AND HIS WHISTLE

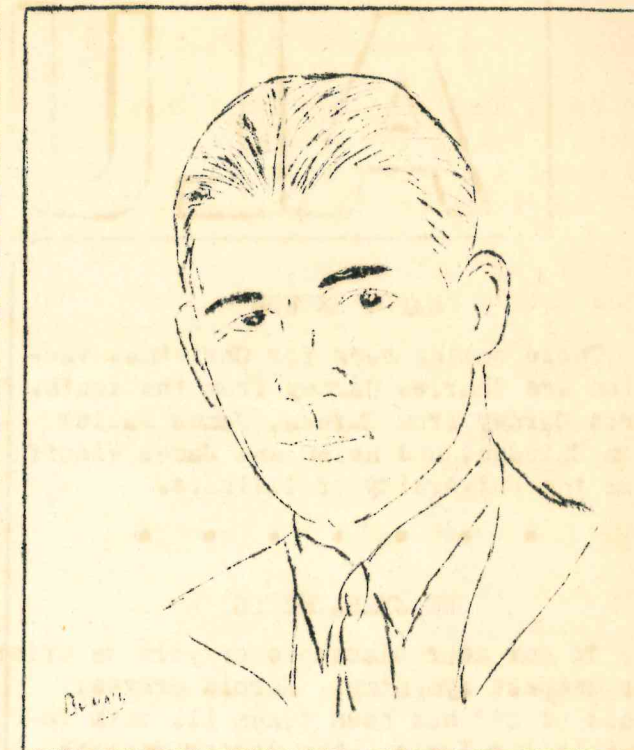
One realizes that some time in his
life he is regretful for past doings.
Take for example, the gangster. For him
life seems but sunshine and happiness.
Money is easily obtained by the crook
of his crooked finger. The idea of plac-
ing a person out of existence is but a
mere trifle to him. His gang is hugging
his heels, ready to obey each command.
Through cleverness and tact he baffles
the police force and federal men. If
ever he gets in trying situations, money
and guns will see him through.

Alas! he too slips and falls to
ruin. One of his bold steps ended in
death. This human too has paid an ex-
orbitant sum for his whistle and the
wheels of time do not turn backward so
that he may correct his mistake.

---Mary June Cramer '35

A MENTAL TEST FOR GENERAL USE

1. When was the war of 1812?
2. Who is the author of Macauley's His-
tory of England?
3. What two countries were participants
in the Spanish-American war?
4. In what season of the year did Wash-
ington spend his winter at Valley
Forge?
5. Who wrote "Webster's" Dictionary?



PAYING TOO MUCH FOR HIS WHISTLE

A friend of mine glanced at his class-
mate's paper, for it was semesters exams.
He was cheating! Was it worth to cheat
and ruin his character? Would it be
better to have a clear conscience even to
the point of poor grades?

Pete had cheated more than once, in
fact, on any occasion he could. Yes, he
had cheated and gotten by with it. But
what will become of him when he is no
longer a student, but a man who must
shift for himself? He will be sorry he
cheated, as cheating leads to higher and
higher badness.

No one can escape punishment in life,
if he cheats. Pete will be caught sooner
or later, glancing, stealing or lying.
He will then realize he has been paying
"too much for his whistle."

---Ruth Alice Foulke '35

A TOAST

Here's to those whom I like to dislike,
And those who like to dislike me,
And those who dislike to like those I
dislike,
And those who dislike to like me.

Better slip with foot than tongue.

ALUMNI

HAPPY RETURN

Those coming back for Christmas vacation are Charles Carney from the south. Doris Carney from Eureka, James Waller from Chicago, and Helen and James Wikoff from the University of Illinois.

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BE SYMPATHETIC

To our dear classmate of yore we offer our deepest sympathy. Harold Groves, class of '28' has been taken ill with infantile paralysis. The doctor reports his case is moderate and holds hopes for immediate recovery. Let us do our part by hoping the same thing.

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EAT, AND WAS IT GOOD

Mary Katherine Ammann and Dorothy Jones attended a banquet in Champaign recently, and from reports they had a grand time.

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EITHER WADE OR CRAWL

We understand that James Emery would rather be back in English III Class than wade in water up to his neck at the G.C.C. Camp in Oregon. He says everyone has to put on a clean shirt, a clean pair of pants, a necktie, and polished slippers before he goes to eat any meal.

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Deral Dash, who has been working at Argenta, is home now.

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Bertha Rodgers is teaching school this year near Kenney, Illinois.

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Suzanne Foulke was elected president of the "Pringle Hall Club", a newly organized educational society of Normal University.

Mary Foulke spent Thanksgiving vacation with her sister Edith, who teaches in Oak Park. Mary is attending DeKalb this year.

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It seems as if the well dressed high school girl at Clinton is wearing striped stockings and a big hair ribbon while the boys are wearing striped stockings also.

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Clinton High School has a new form of student government. The president has full power over everything. Members from each home room are to make up the cabinet

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ÆGIS

The seniors are to present the play "Friend Indeed", in the school auditorium, December 14. From the synopsis in the Ægis it will be worth attending.

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MALDEN

An article read thus:
"For Women Only."

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If you are going to Greenland this the winter, remember that "I love you"

in Greenlandish is Univifgssaerulduiuo-hrifirouajuuganrsigujak.

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The G. A. girls took a six mile breakfast hike November 17. After the hike everyone was able to eat a good square meal for once.

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THE SPECTATOR

The students from Saint Teresa High School have been enjoying a number of splendid assembly programs this year. Some of them were put on by the firemen of Decatur, and there have been many interesting outside speakers. According to "The Spectator", St. Teresa's class members perform vividly before the school in assemblies.

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HI-LITE

The vocational agriculture department of the New Holland High School is going to hold evening sessions for adult farmers who want to study some of the problems relating to certain phases of farming; that is, if enough are interested. The State Board for Vocational Education is furnishing the funds for these sessions not only in New Holland, but in every agriculture department of the state.

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THE MANUAL

The Senior Class of Manual Training High School presented their class play, entitled "Gypsy Trail", Thursday night, December 13. It was a great success and was attended by a large crowd of ardent admirers of the performers.

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SOCIETY

HI-Y HAS CHILI SUPPER

On Monday night, December 10, twenty-five members of the Marca Hi-Y Club gathered in the kitchen of the high school and put forth their best efforts to the cooking of chili. It must have been a success for all the Hi-Y boys think they are pretty good cooks now. After the supper there was installation of fifteen members. This included well thought out initiations. An interesting game of volly-ball ended the evening's fun.

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SURPRISE!

Betty Potter entertained a number of her friends in her home Saturday night, November 24th, in honor of Al D. Barnett twenty-first birthday. Games and cards furnished the evening's enjoyment. Prizes were won by Mary L. Goulter, Bette Adams Ruth Austin, Dorothy McGuire, and Paul Braden. Mr. Barnett received many attractive gifts. Refreshments of pressed chicken, hot rolls, fruit salad, cake, and tea were served.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Junior Class is having a Christmas party Friday, Dec. 21st, in the library from 3:00 to 6:00. They have already decorated a tree and hung up wreaths. We have heard from a reliable source that Santa Claus will be present. There is to be a 10¢ grab bag. Refreshments of apples, popcorn balls, and candy will be served. Various games are planned. The class has extended an invitation to Mrs. Gastman in Decatur, who is a very generous giver and is well known for her true Christmas spirit. We hope that this novel idea for a party will succeed.

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TEA FOR MOTHERS

Miss Garrison's foods class prepared a tea for the mothers of all of the home economic students. It was held from three o'clock to four-thirty o'clock,

Wednesday afternoon, December twentieth. Christmas decorations carried out the holiday spirit. Foods that the students learned to make at school were served.

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FACULTY PARTY

Every month the faculty and the faculty men's wives have a social gathering to play bridge. For December Mr. and Mrs. Norton invited them to their house for a Christmas party. There was an exchange of gifts. Refreshments of peppermint ice cream with chocolate sauce and nuts, fudge brownies, and coffee were served in a dainty fashion.

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With Waller and Pulliam high point men, Maroa setback Cerro Gordo 41-28. The boys continued their "quick-breaks" playing that they had used so effectively against the alumni. Their great advantage in height enabled them to control all aerial passing of the ball and take it after rebounds off the backboard. Part of the time the boys played a zone defense. It was a fast and tiring game for the players, but it brought the fans out of their seats every minute or two. This was a Cencis Conference game. The Cerro Gordo seconds won over the Maroa seconds 17-11.

MAROA (41)		CERRO GORDO (28)	
players	G. F	players	G. F
Pulliam, f	6 2	Christner, f	3 0
Waller, f	7 1	Hiser, f	0 0
Robinson, f	0 0	L. Garver, f	2 2
Haliski, c	1 1	P. Garver, f	0 0
Moore, g	1 0	Lamb, c	2 1
Benton, g	2 0	B. Morgan, g	1 0
Wikoff, g	0 0	Gieder, g	1 0
Troxell, g	1 1	Wolff, g	0 0
		I. Herricks, g	3 0
Totals	12 4	Totals	18 5

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MAROA TAKES BEATING

Blue Mound gave Maroa a sound beating with a score of 41-24. The Maroa boys were certainly off form. The ball slipped from their fingers as if it were hot or greased. Maroa's attempts at the basket were pitiful. The team did not have its usual spirit and cooperation. Waller led the scoring for Maroa with 13 points. R. Brown and Diehl led the scoring for Blue Mound with 20 and 18 points respectively. Let's hope this game makes the boys take notice and we shall see better playing in the future. This was a non-conference game.

The Maroa reserves beat the Blue Mound reserves in an opening game 16-4.

MAROA VANQUISHES ARGENTA 42-33

Maroa took a victory from Argenta in a fast game. Argenta's team was greatly weakened last year by the graduation of several seniors who were a part of the first squad. Pulliam and Halicki led the scoring for Maroa and Turner led for Argenta. Bowman, Luckenbill and Moore played a good game. These boys are improving rapidly and will be three main stringers next year.

The Maroa reserves won 18-4 in the second team game.

MAROA (42) G F		ARGENTA (33) G F	
Moore, f	2 0	Turner, f	6 0
Waller, f	2 0	Swartz, f	4 0
Pulliam, f	6 0	Schultz, c	2 0
Halicki, c	5 1	Davis, g	4 0
Troxell, g	0 2	King, g	0 1
Benton, g	0 0	Totals	16 1
Bowman, g	2 1		
Luk'bill, g	2 0		
Totals	19 4		

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HAMMOND NOSES OUT MARCA 28-27

The score was tied five times in the last quarter and people who had never before as much as clapped their hands at a basketball game stood on their feet and cheered. Hammond was one point behind in the last few minutes of play when Legge sank a field goal to make the score 28-27 in favor of Hammond. The whistle blew for the end of the game on the next play. Troxell and Pulliam were easily the stars on the Maroa team, while Legge led the scoring for Hammond. The Maroa seconds won their game 27-22.

MAROA SURPRISES ANCIENTS 36-22

Many expected to see the alumni win an easy victory over the high school, but they were badly fooled. Anyone that saw the Blue Mound game would hardly deem it possible for a team to make as much improvement, in the short time that had elapsed between that game and the alumni game, as the Maroa lads did. The boys showed that they had been working hard in the last few days. Their control of the ball was excellent, and they had improved greatly in the art of dribbling. Instead of running around as if they didn't know what to do next, they had well organized plays that worked time after time. Many of the baskets were made on tip-plays before the alumni had a chance to touch the ball. The alumni showed the effects of being out of training and practice. They tried shots from all angles and missed more than half of them. The once "hot-shots" of the Maroa basketball team could not find time to even think before the high school would have a basket.

The most comical part of the game was the falling down. For some unknown reason the boys could not stand up. They could be running down the floor and zip--as if they had stepped on a banana peel, down they would go. Bob S'borough easily held the record for the number of falls; he fell down five times in succession. The game was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed. It was clean and hard fought.

MAROA (36)	G. F.	ALUMNI (22)	G. F.
Waller, f	5 1	Oakley, f	0 0
Luckenbill, f	1 0	Crouch, f	0 0
Pulliam, f	5 2	Morgan, f	0 0
Bowman, f	0 0	J. Sterling, f	2 1
Moore, f	1 0	Jim Sterling, f	1 0
Halicki, f	1 0	Austin, c	1 0
Robinson, g	0 0	Hilt, c	1 0
Troxell, g	3 1	J. Waller, c	1 1
Wikoff, g	3 1	Meador, g	1 1
Benton, g	0 0	Caplinger, g	0 0
		S'borough, g	2 0
		Kempshall, g	0 1
		F. Sterling, g	0 0
Totals	16 4	Totals	9 4

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Cenois Tournament-----Dec. 27-28-29-----Score
Argenta-----Jan. 4 Fri.-----Score
Cerro Gordo-----Jan. 11 Fri.-----Score
Wapella-----Jan. 12 Sat.-----Score
Mt. Zion-----Jan 18 Fri.-----Score

as ike sees it

The outlook for Maroa High School cagers is still undecided. We have won three games and lost two, the last due to the absence of two regulars, but, as I see it, the team is going to hit its stride, and, when it does, they are going to be hard to stop.

In the Wapella game they played as they should play in mid-season. In the Blue Mound game they played like a group of freshmen in their first game. In the alumni game, they played much better the last half. At Cerro Gordo they had a streak of lying down, but played well when they were forced to. And at Lovington they played a "bang up" game with the absence of two regulars. There is hardly a doubt in most observers' minds, that we could have beaten Lovington with the regular team. To show you the spot we were in, Waller was the only regular in at the end of the game. Lovington had a good sharpshooter on their team that seemed to have a charm upon the ball. He could shoot successfully from any position. Lovington missed a total of three free throws the entire game, and they had plenty of chances.

There are very few teams that can stop Maroa if they make up their minds they can't be beat. Show the team that you have faith in them, and I'm sure they will reward you with a victorious season.

During the holidays, Dec. 27, 28, and 29, the first Cenois Conference Basketball Tournament will be held at the Millikin gymnasium. This year the tournament will have eight teams that are as evenly matched as you can find. There is not a team in the conference that is outstanding as Argenta, Mt. Zion and Cerro Gordo were last year, but you will see more thrillers than you did last year. Mt. Zion is the team nearest to having the team they had last year, and they also have a larger team.

Here is the dope on the teams as they stand thus far: 1. Mt. Zion, a tall veteran team that has shown a good brand of ball this season. 2. Hammond, small and fast and not a little tough. 3. Maroa, make your own opinions. 4. Cerro Gordo, we beat them once, but we knew we had played some basketball. 5. Lov-

ington, when they are hot, so had the other team better be. 6. Argenta, down but not out. 7. Warrensburg, a defense that is a defense. 8. Niantic, they have been underdogs before and have won.

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This article is not written by an expert, so I hope you will think nothing of it, if you don't agree with me. Your opinion is as good as mine and perhaps better.

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Maroa High School had one of the most successful football teams for many years, and there is nothing to keep us from having a "bang up" basketball team. With one of the tallest in the conference and county, and one of the largest towns, we should have the largest cheering section in all of our games and tournaments. So far this season there has not been an extra large following, but those who have been there made up for the rest in noise. If all the students would show the spirit these ten or twenty have, we could have the best cheering section. Back your team and follow them to victory!

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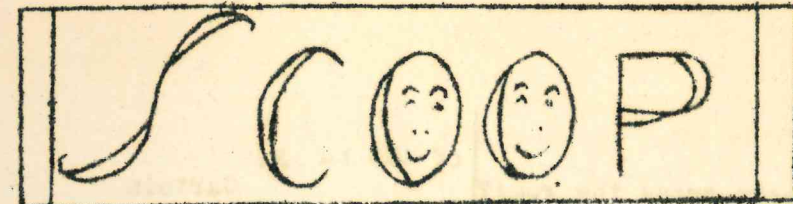
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THREE WISE MEN

Three wise men of high school,
Put out to sea on a raft;
To the land where there are no women,
Then they joked, yelled and laughed.

Now these wise men we're sure to know,
Robinson, Leinhardt and Moore;
For those dumb girls no longer wait,
Who make us so wretchedly poor.

'Twas a cool December morn,
When they put out to sea;
Sailed away and shouted back,
Girls for you--but not for me!

They sailed far away to an island,
To a land unknown on the sea,
"We do not care," said "Line"
"We're white, twenty-one and free."

It was a land of bear and rabbit,
Where he had no love nor hate;
Up jumped his old bad habit,
And for weeks at a time, he ate.

One rainy night at supper time,
There is no doubt nor question,
Poor "Line" ate a coc'nut whole,
And died of indigestion.

The first bright night at six o'clock,
Our wceful and heartbroken "Red",
Became so blue and homesick,
He got up and went to bed.

On a huge flat rock he slumbered,
Dreaming of nothing perhaps,
For ten long years he snortled,
When one day he had a relapse.

'Twas midnight on the ocean
Nothing was in sight
Sudd'ly ol' Bill heard a scream
Which proved much score and fright

Ol' Bill ran, withered and worn,
But with mellow coat of tan
Rescued the drowning girl and said,
"I seen my duty an' I done it,"
'Cause I'm Popeye the Sailor Man.

Dear Agatha;

Your letter was received with utmost
welcome, Agatha, and really you can't
imagine how these students carry on a-
round here.

Wanda and Aaron seem to be having
their troubles. I can't imagine what the
outcome will be. You know Aaron took
Louise Ann to the Jerro Gorda basketball
game.

And is "Dickie" Kinkaid ever catching
on to things quickly. It rather seems
that Myrna Morgan has attracted his at-
tention, for I saw them both walk up to
"Dickie's" locker, put on their coats
and hats, and walk out of school in grand
style one nite. More power to you, Rich-
ard.

Every one must have had a good time
during Thanksgiving. Waller and Milnes
were well pleased from all reports.

At last! the school's most sedate
person has a lover!-- and has had a sec-
ret lover for the last four years in fact.
You could have blown me down when I heard
it. I was even spell-bound--it was so
startling! Perhaps after things quiet
down, I will tell you.

Until later,

Little Audrey

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Coach (in general science)--"What is a
vacuum?

Lloyd Clary--"What you clean a rug with."

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Aaron Fishel (gallantly)--"Have you this
square dance?"

Lois Westerman(eagerly)--"Not yet."

Aaron F.--"Then please hold this book
while I dance."

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For Boys Only--Didn't you if girl a be
wouldn't you; read would you knew we.
(Read backwards)

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Mr. DuBois (In exams)--"I will not answer
any questions."

Paul B.--"Shake; neither will I."

HASH

"Why does a chicken cross the road?
To get on the other side." Starting out
fine, aren't we? Here's another: "He
opened the door and influenza." How did
you like that one? Well, wait; we'll
give you an earful this time. "Are you
taking your son out for a sunning?" Don't
like it? Well, ishkabibble, I should
worry a lot and build a house on it. I'll
be sure to please you this time--here it
is: "Why won't you let me take your
picture?" "Oh, I'm afraid I would break
the camera!" Jay, quit growling about
these perfectly new jokes, or you'll wake
up with a lily in your hand. What makes
you so grouchy today, anyway? Have you
bats in your belfry? Oh, you just washed
your hair yesterday and can't do a thing
with it? Ha, ha! that's a funny one;
I'll surely have to save it for "The
Blue and Gold". Well, I'll tell you an-
other new one. "What shall I talk about?
"Oh, about a minute". Also I know a
new Ford joke. Well, it is a rattling
good car, isn't it? "One day a Ford ran
over a little chicken; however, it did-
n't kill the chicken, and, after the Ford
had passed, the chicken got up and bright-
ly remarked: "Cheap, Cheap." Never
heard that one before, did ya, huh? With
a brand, brand new one we'll leave you.
"Did you hear of the Scotchman, that
left ten cents change on the counter?"
"Well, you never will!"--(Jakey, get out

of the buggy)

Curtain

P.S. We hope our jokes meet with your
approval.

Miss Hallford (in the gym): "One, two,
three, four--everyone keep on breath-
ing."

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Cute Sayings--Ralph Hanes
More To Do--Mary A. McGuire
An Evening Gown--Miss Garrison
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Bell
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Some Good-looking Boys--Freshman Class
More and Better Books--Louise Ann Parker
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Some "Neaputs"--Jeanette Parker
Someone to Love Him--Aaron Fishel

ASSISTANCE, PLEASE

Jokes are very easily read--
But give us some from out your head;
Who said what in class last week--
Let it out now; speak-speak!

"Not what a man stands for, but what
he falls for."

The Valley of Twisted Trail-----
-----the part in J. Spreck's hair
The Flying Carpet-----Dickie Kinkaid
The Enchanted Hill-----Catherine Miller
The French Powder Mystery-----Maymelen
Gallagher

The Keeper of the Keys---Mrs. Keyes
Tillie, the Mennonite Maid---Bette Adams
The Painted Minx-----Rosalie Cooper
War Paint and Scuge---Maymelen Gallagher
Amateur Gentleman-----Elwood Alberts
Beyond Control-----Mary Louise & Hugh
Young and Fair-----Viva Malone
Slow Joe-----Paul Gregory
Two Make a World---Harold and Virginia
India Rubber Man-----Bill Jones
Hunted Wolf-----Coach Wolfe
Ramblin' Kid-----Charles Milnes
Younger Sister-----Patricia Cramer
This Year, Next Year, Sometime--K. Riley
Hermit of Far End-----Ralph Hanes
Self Made Woman-----Mildred Riley
The Turmoil---Honorary Study Hall 1st Hr.
Beau Geste-----Mr. Norton
The Count of Monte Cristo---C. Haliski

A Visitor: What stands out most prom-
inently in this year's senior class?
Mr. Wolfe: About 24 members who try to
run the school.

Miss Flugum: What have you read?
James R.: I have red hair!

Charles Milnes: I have only one girl
and she turns me down.

Student: What do you study in General
Science?

Floyd: Mr. Wolfe's baby.

Girls--MUST NOT READ THIS

"paeq xeq no pueis oi puy eys ji
'moqemos ii te teg pinw eys meux em
'paeq xpaerje xeq eys meod siue
'Suiqarj e oi siuep ueq teg em mon
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A fool I was and I stayed out late,
Even as you have done.
And I said I'll study at an awful rate;
Yet every nite I had a date,
But fool like I met the usual fate;
Even as you have done.

WHAT THE FACULTY WANTS SANTA TO LEAVE

Miss Flugum-----Tiddely Winks
Miss Garrison-----Tinker Toys
Mr. Norton-----Tricycle
Mr. Wolfe-----Drum and lots of gum
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But Santa didn't even stop,
Thought Sammie didn't live there any more.

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Coach Wolfe is my teacher. I shall not pass. He leadeth me to expose my ignorance before the class. He maketh me work problems on the board for my grade's sake. Yea, though I study until midnight, I can not understand physics, for experiments and reactions sorely trouble me. He pre- parth problems before me in the presence of the class. He giveth me a low grade, my work runneth under. Surely, zeros and twenty-fives will follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the class of physics forever.

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Mr. Keyes:--"Which age seems the hardest?"
George L.:--"The stone age, I s'pose."

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HELP! HELP! HELP!

Wait der meanite! Vot you mean, Mary Louise, brakin' your radio so-o-o-o-o often? Does Curly like to fix radios or -----does Curly like to fix ra- dios. Give us three guesses and you can keep the last two.

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Stella Haliski
Wilma Shoemaker
Emily Jane Dewhirst
Eloise Crabtree
beTe Adams

You
dOrothy McGuire
eUgene Westbrook
aAn Hall
virGinia Perry

ruTh Austin
Harriette Bunner
mildred Riley
JeaNette Parker
Geraldine Hartsock
Shirley Marlatt

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What a funny little girl my typist are
What ain't got no brains, almost hardly
When her type, her don't think,
When her think her might hurt her little brain,
What her ain't got almost hardly.

Ruth Austin:--"I got a cat named Santy."
Ruth A. Foulke:--"Does Santy scratch?"
Ruth Austin:--"No, Santy Claws."

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Miss Bell plans to spend her time reading and playing at home. She is going to have a perfectly grand time ---as she says.

Miss Hallford says "As far as I know I'll be in Decatur". Wonder if she'll come back rested.

Mr. Keyes will divide his vacation between Rockford and Morrisonville.

Miss Flugum intends to spend Christ- mas at her home in Wisconsin.

Miss Garrison will greet Santa Claus in Kankakee. Maybe she'll ride home with him for the rest of the Christmas.

Mr. Wolfe will remain in Maroa -- Charlie's first Christmas you know.

Mr. Norton will take his family to Champaign. Now Santa, don't give Esther too much candy.

We hope our faculty as a whole and individually have a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Our school and the community will be just as good as we help make them.

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Two of our high school students are going to shake the snow from their feet and head for the good ole South- land.

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